

HOUSE BILL 168

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SB 136/14 – JPR

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By: **Delegates B. Wilson, Cassilly, Clippinger, Cluster, Folden, Impallaria, Kipke, McKay, Metzgar, Miele, and Szeliga**

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2015

Assigned to: Judiciary

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Criminal Law – Second–Degree Murder – Penalty**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the maximum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for
4 the offense of second–degree murder; and generally relating to second–degree
5 murder.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

7 Article – Criminal Law

8 Section 2–204

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Criminal Law**

14 2–204.

15 (a) A murder that is not in the first degree under § 2–201 of this subtitle is in the
16 second degree.

17 (b) A person who commits a murder in the second degree is guilty of a felony and
18 on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding [30] **40** years.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
20 October 1, 2015.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

